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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 296 By Walker

A RESOLUTION To recognize Mr. Danny Kemmer and his family for contributions to the agricultural profession in Cumberland County.

WHEREAS, The occupation of family farming was the basis for the formation of society in the early history of this State and nation, and nurtured the core values of hard work and endurance upon which our nation developed and prospered; and

WHEREAS, Although the percentage of the population still engaged in family farming is much smaller than in the early days of our country, the families who still farm the land are very important to our economy and provide a touchstone to our national roots; and

WHEREAS, Last month, at the annual Friends of Farming luncheon in Cumberland County, three farm families were recognized for their contributions to county agriculture; along with the Roger Thackston and R.L. Wheeler families, the family of Danny Kemmer of Grassy Cove was honored; and

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WHEREAS, Danny Kemmer has a 200-acre dairy farm with 43 Jersey milk cows producing 200 gallons of milk per day; he operates the family enterprise with his wife, Krista, and their twin sons, Seth and Luke, who will start school in the fall; and

WHEREAS, Danny learned about farming from his parents, George and Emily Kemmer; the elder Kemmers passed on to Danny their rich family traditions as well as their values and ethical grounding; and

WHEREAS, As a youth, Mr. Kemmer was a member of Future Farmers of America and participated in FFA and 4-H shows and projects; he graduated from Cumberland County High School and attended Middle Tennessee State University; and

WHEREAS, Danny Kemmer's excellent farming practices have earned him numerous environmental and stewardship awards on the State and national levels; he currently serves on the Agricultural Extension Committee and the County Farm Bureau board; and

WHEREAS, As long as this State can count among its citizens such outstanding farmers and stewards of the land as the Danny Kemmer family, the future of our society is that much more secure; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That this legislative body honors Mr. Danny Kemmer and his family on being recognized for excellence in the practice of agriculture, extending to them much continued success and happiness in the years to come.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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